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18 November 1955

ARGENTINE STABILITY

- I. New government of Provisional President General Pedro Aramburu has broader military and civilian support than Lonardi, but still faces grave problems.
 - A. Power struggle and dissidence still evident.
 1. Extreme nationalists dissatisfied with Lonardi's ouster.
 2. Navy reported seeking increased power.
 3. Army divided on purge of Peronista officials.
 - B. Although CGT general strike smashed, government's strong show of force beclouds labor sympathies.
 - C. Go-between for Aramburu told Ambassador Nufer on 16 November that serious economic difficulties expected in near future unless government obtains prompt assistance.
 1. Emissary stated all of present government "definitely democratic" and most friendly toward US and inter-American cooperation.
 2. Nufer expects direct approach for financial aid on crash basis soon.

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